

3038. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 10-225, "Omnibus Budget Support Act of 1994," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3039. A letter from the Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting a copy of D.C. Act 10-221, "Real Property Statutory and Filing Deadlines Conformity Amendment Act of 1994," pursuant to D.C. Code, section 1-233(c)(1); to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

3040. A letter from the Director, Defense Security Assistance Agency, transmitting notification of the Department of the Navy's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance [LAO] to Australia for defense articles (Transmittal No. 94-20), pursuant to 2776(b); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3041. A letter from the Assistant Legal Adviser for Treaty Affairs, Department of State, transmitting copies of international agreements, other than treaties, entered into by the United States, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b(a); to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

3042. A letter from the Acting Archivist, National Archives and Records Administration, transmitting a report on records disposal, pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3303a(f); to the Committee on Government Operations.

3043. A letter from the Director of Legislative and Public Affairs, National Science Foundation, transmitting a report on activities under the Freedom of Information Act for calendar year 1993, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552(d); to the Committee on Government Operations.

3044. A letter from the Deputy Associate Director for Compliance, Department of the Interior, transmitting notification of proposed refunds of excess royalty payments in OCS areas, pursuant to 43 U.S.C. 1339(b); to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3045. A letter from the Secretary of Agriculture, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to designate a segment of the Rubicon River in the State of California as a component of the Wild and Scenic Rivers System; to the Committee on Natural Resources.

3046. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 to permit prepayment of debentures issued by State and local development companies; to the Committee on Small Business.

3047. A letter from the Administrator, Small Business Administration, transmitting a draft of proposed legislation to amend the Small Business Act; to the Committee on Small Business.

3048. A letter from the Chairman, U.S. International Trade Commission, transmitting the 77th quarterly report on trade between the United States and China, the successor states to the former Soviet Union, and other title IV countries during 1993, pursuant to 19 U.S.C. 2440; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

#### ¶38.4 MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 540. An Act to improve the administration of the bankruptcy system, address certain commercial issues and consumer issues in bankruptcy, and establish a commission to study and make recommendations on problems with the bankruptcy system, and for other purposes.

S. 725. An Act to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the conduct of ex-

panded studies and the establishment of innovative programs with respect to traumatic brain injury, and for other purposes.

S. 1904. An Act to amend title 38, United States Code, to improve the organization and procedures of the Board of Veterans' Appeals.

S. 2000. An Act to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 1995 through 1998 to carry out the Head Start Act and the Community Services Block Grant Act, and for other purposes.

#### ¶38.5 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mr. MONTGOMERY, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
Washington, DC, April 25, 1994.

Hon. THOMAS S. FOLEY,  
*The Speaker, House of Representatives, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: Pursuant to the permission granted in Clause 5 of Rule III of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, I have the honor to transmit a sealed envelope received from the White House on Monday, April 25, 1994 at 9:34 a.m. and said to contain a message from the President whereby he notifies the Congress of the death of President Richard M. Nixon.

With great respect, I am  
Sincerely yours,

DONNALD K. ANDERSON,  
*Clerk, House of Representatives.*

#### ¶38.6 RICHARD M. NIXON

The Clerk then read the message from the President, as follows:

*To the Congress of the United States:*

It is my sad duty to inform you officially of the death of Richard Milhous Nixon, the thirty-seventh President of the United States.

Born in 1913, he was first elected to the Congress in 1946, a member of that historic freshman class of World War II veterans that also included John F. Kennedy. He was elected to the Senate in 1950, and served two terms as Vice President of the United States between 1953 and 1961. His career in the Congress coincided with the great expansion of the American middle class, when men and women from backgrounds as humble as his own secured the triumph of freedom abroad and the promise of economic growth at home.

He remained a visible presence in American public life for over half a century. Yet through all those years of service to his country, in the military, in the Congress, in the Presidency, and beyond, he cherished his life as a private man, a family man. He was lovingly devoted to his wife, Pat, to their daughters Patricia Cox and Julie Eisenhower, and to his four grandchildren.

His lifetime and public career were intertwined with America's rise as a world power. His faith in America never wavered, from his famous "Kitchen debate" with Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev through all of the debates that followed. We Americans and our neighbors abroad will always owe him a special debt for opening diplomatic doors to Beijing and Moscow during his

Presidency, and his influence in world affairs will be felt for years to come.

Richard Milhous Nixon lived the "American Dream." Now, he rests in peace.

WILLIAM J. CLINTON.

THE WHITE HOUSE, April 22, 1994.

#### ¶38.7 RICHARD M. NIXON

Mr. MICHEL submitted the following privileged resolution (H. Res. 411):

*Resolved*, That the House of Representatives has learned with profound regret and sorrow of the death of Richard Milhous Nixon, former President of the United States of America.

*Resolved*, That in recognition of the many virtues, public and private, of one who served with distinction as Representative, Senator, Vice President, and President, the Speaker shall appoint committees of the House to join with such Members of the Senate as may be designated, to attend the funeral services of the former President.

*Resolved*, That the House tenders its deep sympathy to the members of the family of the former President in their sad bereavement.

*Resolved*, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary for carrying out of the provisions of these resolutions, and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

*Resolved*, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate and transmit a copy of the same to the family of the former President.

*Resolved*, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn as a further mark of respect to the memory of the former President.

After debate,

On motion of Mr. MICHEL, the previous question was ordered on the resolution to its adoption or rejection and under the operation thereof, the resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider the vote whereby said resolution was agreed to was, by unanimous consent, laid on the table.

*Ordered*, That the Clerk notify the Senate thereof

#### ¶38.8 ORDER OF BUSINESS— CONSIDERATION OF CONFERENCE REPORT H.R. 2333

On motion of Mr. MONTGOMERY, by unanimous consent,

*Ordered*, That, notwithstanding the provisions of clause 2 of rule XXVIII, it may be in order on Thursday, April 28, 1994, or any day thereafter, for the House to consider the conference report on the bill (H.R. 2333) to authorize appropriations for the Department of State, the United States Information Agency, and related agencies, to authorize appropriations for foreign assistance programs, and for other purposes; and all points of order against said conference report and its consideration are hereby waived, and said conference report shall be considered as read when called up.

#### ¶38.9 COMMUNICATION FROM THE CLERK—MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore, Mrs. MEEK, laid before the House a communication, which was read as follows: